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Marshall Gold Discovery Park Needs Volunteers With Pioneer Spirit

COLOMA -- Marshall Gold State Historic Park is looking for active individuals with the desire to serve their community to join the Volunteer in Parks Program.

The next ten-week Volunteer training course begins March 30, 2005, and the deadline for applying is March 5. Applications and further information are available by calling Volunteer Coordinator Sharon Dennis at (530) 295-2170.

Trained volunteers may choose among many roles, including interpreting historic structures, demonstrating pioneer crafts, and dressing in period dress of the 1800s. Volunteers are part of special events such as Live History, '49er Family Festival, Christmas in Coloma and much more. It's an exciting way to serve the community and to meet visitors from all over the world.

The Park is recruiting friendly people who have public contact experience, presentation skills or a keen interest in California state history. All volunteers are required to donate a minimum of eight hours per month.

Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park is located on Hwy 49 in Coloma and is a unit of the California State Parks Gold Rush District.

Visitors are welcome to Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park all year round. The Park is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; the Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Park is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day. For more information call the Park Museum and Visitors Center at (530) 622-3470.

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